

BEFORE  
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF  
SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NOS. 2019-185-E and 2019-186-E - ORDER NO. 2020-560

NOVEMBER 24, 2020

IN RE: Docket No. 2019-185-E – South Carolina	)	ORDER APPROVING
Energy Freedom Act (H.3659) Proceeding to	)	TEMPORARY PERIOD
Establish Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC's	)	TO PAY QUALIFYING
Standard Offer, Avoided Cost	)	FACILITY VARIABLE
Methodologies, Form Contract Power	)	RATE SELLERS
Purchase Agreements, Commitment to Sell	)	
Forms, and Any Other Terms or Conditions	)	
Necessary (Includes Small Power Producers	)	
as Defined in 16 United States Code 796, as	)	
Amended) - S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-41-	)	
20(A)	)	
and	)	
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Docket No. 2019-186-E – South Carolina	)	
Energy Freedom Act (H.3659) Proceeding to	)	
Establish Duke Energy Progress, LLC's	)	
Standard Offer, Avoided Cost	)	
Methodologies, Form Contract Power	)	
Purchase Agreements, Commitment to Sell	)	
Forms, and Any Other Terms or Conditions	)	
Necessary (Includes Small Power Producers	)	
as Defined in 16 United States Code 796, as	)	
Amended) - S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-41-	)	
20(A)	)	

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (“Commission”) on request of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC (“DEC”) and Duke Energy Progress, LLC (“DEP”) (collectively the “Companies”) seeking approval to pay certain qualifying facility Sellers for a temporary period under a rate structure that uses the Companies’ approved avoided energy and avoided capacity credits, together with the

Companies' previously effective pricing periods. According to the Companies, the temporary rates only apply to the limited number of qualifying facilities that sell power to the Companies under a variable rate schedule. The Companies state that the temporary rates would only apply to the period between when the Companies installed new metering and billing system updates under the rate design approved by Order No. 2019-881(A) and the time that this work was complete. DEP completed this work in January 2020, and DEC completed the work in May 2020.

No objection to the request has been filed.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:**

We approve Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC's and Duke Energy Progress, LLC's request to temporarily pay Variable Rate Sellers as presented in their letter dated August 6, 2020. The temporary period of time runs from November 30, 2018, which is the effective date of the rates established in Order No. 2019-881(A), until the time when such metering and billing system updates were in place for each utility. For DEP the billing period ended in January 2020, and for DEC the billing period ended in May 2020.

This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further order of the Commission.

**BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:**



  
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Florence P. Belser, Vice Chairman  
Public Service Commission of South Carolina